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C O N F I D E N T I A L NEW DELHI 3366

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TAGS: PFOR, IN, GE

SUBJECT: WILLI STOPH VISIT TO INDIA

SUMMARY: EAST GERMAN PRIME MINISTER ARRIVED NEW DELHI MARCH 19 FOR OVERNIGHT STOP RETURNING FROM OFFICIAL VISIT TO HANOI. HE HAD TALKS WITH PM GANDHI, AND PLEASED GOI BY SUPPORTING PEACE IN SOUTH ASIA THROUGH BILATERALISM. END SUMMARY

1. UNEXCEPTIONABLE JOINT COMMUNIQUE ISSUE MARCH 20 MADE FOLLOWING MAJOR POINTS (FULL TEXT BY AIRGRAM):

(A) COUNTRIES WOULD STRENGTHEN POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, TECHNICAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL COOPERATION.

(B) INDIA WELCOMED EUROPEAN INITIATIVES TOWARDS DETENTE AND COOPERATION AMONG ALL EUROPEAN STATES.

(C) EAST GERMANY SUPPORTED INDIAN EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE PEACE
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IN SUBCONTINENT THROUGH DIRECT NEGOTIATIONS WITH PAKISTAN.
(D) BOTH WELCOMED VIETNAM CEASEFIRE AND LAOS AGREEMENT
" AS A HISTORIC VICTORY OF THE PEOPLES OF THOSE COUNTRIES AND
OF THE PEACE- LOVING FORCES."

2. ACTING POL COUNSELOR TALKED WITH EAST GERMAN DCM HEINZ
KAWRETZKE AT AUSTRIAN DINNER MARCH 22. KAWRETZKE, WHO IS
FRIENDLY, PERSONABLE AND WELL- INFORMED, SAID THAT STOPH
VISIT WAS LAST- MINUTE AFFAIR, THOUGH INVITATION HAD LONG BEEN
OUTSTN MARKS PEARNEL CHARLES' SECOND MAJOR
DEFEAT IN THE PAST YEAR. IT REPRESENTS A CONSIDERABLE SETBACK FOR
THE BITU, WHICH IS ALSO SUFFERING FINANCIALLY. THE DECISION TO
" WITHDRAW" MAY HAVE BEEN BASED ON A DESIRE TO AVOID VIOLENCE AS
WELL AS ON THE " UNFAIR TACTICS" OF THE NWU, BUT THE HANDWRITING
WAS PROBABLY ON THE WALL, AND CHARLES IIN CRYING " FOUL" IS
ATTEMPTING TO SAVE FACE.
DE ROULET

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